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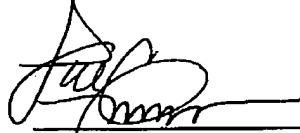
REMARKS

Applicants' representatives were recently informed that prosecution will be re-opened by the Examiner in the application referenced above. The undersigned was informed by way of a telephone call from Examiner Azpurro on October 19, 2001, that, to expedite prosecution of claims 41-44, Applicants should cancel claim 1. Accordingly, the amendment presented here cancels claim 1.

As the Examiner knows, the issue fee for the present case is due on October 23, 2001. Applicants respectfully request being informed, by facsimile, and prior to the October 23, 2001, deadline for responding to the Notices of Allowance and Allowability, that prosecution has been reopened.

No fees are believed due in connection with this amendment. If there are any charges, or credits, please apply them to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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In the claims:

Claim 1 has been cancelled.